CITIZENS SEE RESULTS SHOWN IN NORWICH CITY ADMINISTRATION

Departments Worked With Mayor Lerou to Give Efficient Service Under Present Administration-Fire, Gas and Electric, Police, Water, Street and Cometery Departments Have Much to Report.

Progress and efficiency have been slegans in the present city adminis-Fration of Norwich under Mayor H. M. Lerou and much has been accomplished in the city departments along these lines, although a good part of what has been done has gone along so quietly and unheralded that it has been little known. The following brief review of the year's work in the various departments will doubtless be read with pleased surprise by the citizens of Nerwich who have scarcely realized how the interests of the community have been looked after in different ways.

Water Department

Installed 12-inch flashboards on Stony Brook reservoir sailway, impounding about 2 2million more gallons of water. Installed 12-iron flashbrards at Pairwhen reservoir spilway, impounding about 25 million more gallons of water. Installed chlorinating plants for the two reservoirs at an initial o st of \$8200.

Installed 18-inch check valve on one of the 18-inch mains from Fairview. Keeps water from backing into Fairview from Stony Brook. Makes possible accurate measurement of water at both meter is uses. Average fully consumption for November was 3,506,050 gallors. Installed 24-inch cross-over connection between the two 16-inch mains at Fair-

At Pairview: built brick addition for

At Tuberci only sanstrained installed finch come and moter. Will probably

Construction of new malms. Valview seasons, cross-over. 38 feet. 24-inch; Fairview Ruser via cross-over, 4 feet. 18 inch; Morgan avect for Julin Terrace) 224 feet. 2 inch; Horn Fower avenu. 87 feet. 2 inch; Gerrana avenue. 87 feet. 2 inch; Gerrana avenue. 87 feet. 2 inch; Horn Savenue. 87 feet. 1 1-4 inch. New arrives. 87; now bedrants. 5 new pates. 17; new meters. 88.

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he need for the repulse on the planes, coneral cartains and will be useful for green, brush and chimney first.

With these investvements Norwich will have five new pieces of motor five apparatus before Arril 15, 1012.

When this arrantus is installed, the last of the horse will be sold and all but Greenerille will be motorized. Old fire station at Palls sold for \$2,500

The new pumpers known as Engine Co.

Themewille station company will re-soon to all fires on the West Side of city on first alarms; also north to the Backus carried out will see the department in ex-cellent condition in 1912.

Cemetery Department.

566 Japanese bayberry bushes set out at northern end of cemetery, covering an unsightly condition bretofore existing.

Fountain out of commission for several
years, but independition to operate.

All trees trimmed.
All surplus dict used to fill up sunken Lot owners invited by letter to arrange

for perpetual care; much interest ghown and many responses to request.

Office hours changed to enable superintendent to be out in the department
work with men.

Street Department Norfth Main street-1,600 fert new ce-ment road, 20 feet wide, laid from Eighth street to junction of Central avenue 1,700 feet, 21 feet wide, laid from junction of Central avenue and North Main street to within 100 feet of junction of Boswell avenue and North Main street.
Shetucket street.—Old block paving

removed and replaced by concrete street, with 38 foot approach to Laurel Hill

Sachem street-Re-built with tarvia top from Oneco to Lafayette street.

Boswell avenue—Rebuilt from Frank-Ita street to Broad street and cut to a

West Main street-From Falls avenue West Side bridge, street widened and new sidewalk built in front of Mahoney building, with 35 feet of new sidewalks on Fall avenue.

Boswell avenue—From North Main street to city line ploughed up, regraded and rolled to a surface; temporary work to correct bad conditions until spring than cement road will be continued to

New sewer built on Woodmansee ave-

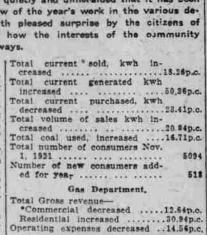
Forest Street-Resurfaced the full Sharman St.—Resurfaced from Yantic reet to Lafayette street, Boswell Ave.—Resurfaced from North

Main to 10th street.

Warren St.-Finished with a tarvia

New retaining wall built on Asylum street next to the Falls mill pond,

Electric Department.





Electric Power Station.

Additions and betterment have been

The 750 kw, turbo senerator completehigher ream pressure carried on the new

towards maintaining and improving the overhead distribution system but there still remains much to be done and the work of renewing poles and the placing of a ditionat copper will be pushed during the coming year. All work now being done and material used meets with the requirements of National Electric

Light Association standard.

An inspection of services and meter installations is now in progress; reports are being made to consumers advising

Gas Department. In this department, a great deal of

work done and money expended to improve the services and it is gratifying to note a marked decrease in the num-ber of complaints reaching the office of New mains added during the year as follows: 2000 feet 8-inch on North Main

street, 1700 feet 18-inch on North Main street, 1500 feet 8-inch on Boswell ave-nue, 200 feet 4-inch on North Main street, 2500 feet 12-inch and 10-inch on Franklin souare to Thames street, There will be placed in service during the comins spring, a 16-inch line extend-ing from Roath and North Main streets

to Franklin street to Pond street.

Additional equipment has been installed at the plant as follows: One 16inch Connelley balance and automatic governor, one No. 5 Sturtevant blower direct connected to 50 h. p. motor, one direct connected to 50 h. p. motor, one 50 000 gallon tank for storage of gas oil. Extensive repairs and maintenance work done. All of the gas holders paint ed at an expense of \$3,000, new roof placed on old coal gas house, concrete and brick floor placed in garage and new blower and pump room built in old retort house.

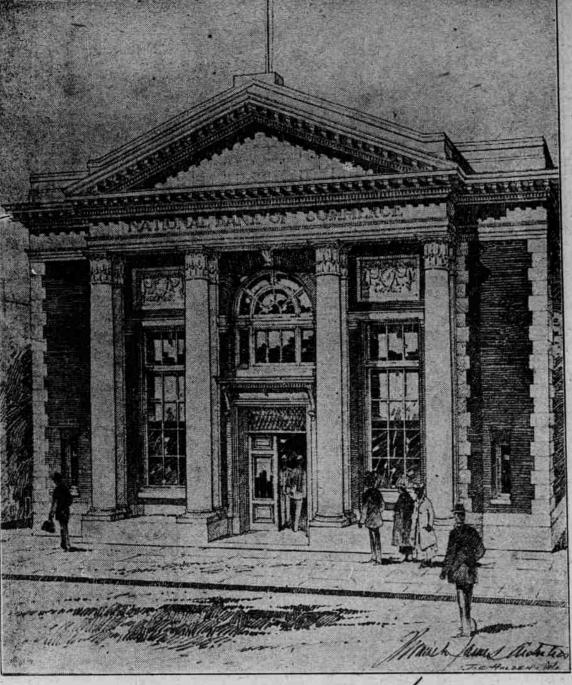
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On January 1, 1922, the new rate for gas service becomes effective. This will decrease revenue approximately \$20,000 per year. How long this rate can be maintained cannot be predicted. There There is now before congress a bill which pro-poses placing a duty of 35 cents per barrel on crude oil imports. If this passes, it will materially affect the production cost of gas. Gas off is now costing 100 per cent more than in 1916. Fuel for gas making in 1916 cost \$3.00 per ton; today we are paying \$10.30.

BULLETIN'S CALENDAR SHOWS NORWICH 85 YEARS AGO (Continued from Page Three)

ond Congregational church on Church street, the site now occupied by the church of the present day and used as the Community House of the United Congregational church.

The old Second Congregational church edifice shows on the calendar had been the meeting house of its congregation since 1795, when it was built, a frame structure, 42x85 feet, surmounted by a beifry and short spire and painted white outside and green within. In the spring of 1844 the church took fire and was so of 1848 the church took he and was so badly damaged that the society decided not to attempt its reconstruction. The old building was demolished and a new church erected in time for dedication on Jan. 1, 1846. This is the stone church so familiar to the present generation. It was built of dark blue granite from a neighboring quarry at an expense of about \$14,000 and ten years later was improved and repaired at an expense of \$6,000, according to Miss Caulkins' his-



NEW NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE BUILDING, NEW LONDON

tory. Since the recent consolidation of the Second and Broadway Congregational churches as the United Congregational church the old stone church edificial payment by anyone, except possibly one person up to the time of his death in fallilling a new sphere of usefulness as the United church.

MAYOR H. M. LEROU

MAYOR then in the eastern part of Connecticut. The formation of the east bank at the Additions and betterment have been made to the plant as follows:

Two 800 KVA transformers installed giving additional transformer equipment to one for increasing demands of users of power; in addition necessary switching and protective equipment installed to safezuard continuity of service. Total installed canacity in transformers for this service is now 3200 KVA.

Oil purifying equipment installed for planning lubricating and transformer oils. with the undertaking. A small sum for partial indemnification was raised by lottery. Although looked upon as much of an experiment when it was built first bridge to the west side was foun to be so much of a public convenience that two years later it was decided to imrove and enlarge it and make it passable for loaded teams. The legisla of 1773 granted permission for and lottery to raise 278 pounds, or \$926." finishing and completing the great wharf bridge at Chelsea in Norwich."

Since that time replacements because of floods, repairs and improvements have brought the bridge down to its present condition as the West Main street bridge over the east branch of the Tantic river The Laurel Hill bridge site, which would accept in a present day picture of the harbor was not built upon until

Tracy's pier, indicated by the row of solles on the right hand, or Laurel Hill. side of the picture, is another interesting historical link with the olden days. Pre-viously to 1818 there were flats, known as the middle ground, in the river, cov-ered with water about three feet deep, with a channel on each side, the eastern channel being narrow but deeper and used by the larger vessels up to 1818. In that year Nathaniel Tracy, a Norwich fisherman, sank an old scow on the flats where the water was about three feet deep at ordinary low tide, filling in with stones in and around the scow to form a pier which was above water at low tide. He used it for fishing and drawing seines, exercising a sort of squatter sovereignty over it and it was included in the inventory of his estate at his death in 1864. By that time the accumulation of sand around the sunken boat had formed an island of about half an acre which was known as Tracy's Island.

In 1835 the United States government build a solid stone pler below and across pushed all navigation over into the west channel of the river. From this time on the sand accumulated more about the old sunken scow and in 1845 land began to appear above ordinary high water Nathaniel Tracy's claim on his pier

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REFLECT SMALLER BUSINESS IN YEAR National Banks of New London and Windham Counties Did Not Expect to Reach High Record of a Year Ago-Savings Bank Deposits Have Been Well Maintained.

LESSENED BANKING FIGURES IN 1921

It was to be expected in the past year that the period of slackened business, which was general in the manufacturing line in Eastern Connecticut, would show its effect in smaller bank transactions for the year. That this expectation has been realized is demonstrated by the bank figures for the year in the Eastern Connecticut district given in tabular form herewith. National bank transactions which in 1920 went into the largest figures in their history, were in lessened volume in 1921, and savings bank deposits at the end of the year were somewhat less than a year ago. These are shown for New London and Windham counties for the last ten years in tabulated

NORWICH BANKS' EXPERIENCE

In a retrospective view of the year 1912 the banking men of Norwich feel that they have reason to be fairly well pleased with the showing that the year he made here, in view of the experience of

many communities in the state and n tion, Said one well known Norwich banker: I have been familiar with banking and manufacturing conditions in many parts of the country is the past year and I want to say with emphasis that one part that has been affected as little as any by the general business depression as this tight little corner of Northeastern Connecticut."

The three Norwich savings banks find themselves in a unique position this year, in that they have increased deposits, an experience that has fallen probably only to the savings banks of two or other three cities in the state.

Total deposits at the close of 1920 were reported at \$33,299,725.06. This has been raised to \$33,637,885 at the end of 1921. There has been a steady deof 1921. There has been a steady de-mand for loans for the purposes of build-ing houses in Norwich, indicative of the activity in that line during the pas-twelve months, and the savings banks have granted all applications for loans that seemed warranted. At the same time they have achieved to their established policy of making Norwich deposits avail-able first for Norwich uses by jiving able first for Norwich uses by giving preference to loans in Norwich and vi-cinity and turning down numerous acplications which have come to them from

other places.

The three Norwich national banks showed in 1920 the largest augregate volume of business ever done in their history, the total figures being \$271,255,

SATISFACTORY IN YEAR iness on Dec. 12 in fine banking officer spective view of the year 1921 in the Thayer building on Frankling men of Norwich feel that square with every promise of a successful

Two educational efforts along thrift ines which have been in tiated the past car were the Christmas club p'an and savings system for school children. The Christmas club which continued through the past year and made its payments during the present Christmas season was fairly well taken hold of and is expected to show greatly increased results as it becomes more of a harit. The school savings system will educate the school children in habits of thrift which will be

children in habits of thrift which will be most valuable to them. It is just about to be instituted in the Norwich public selection and the selection of the Norwich banks.

During the year the Dime Savings bank lost by death its honored president. Francis J. Leavens, who had held that office since 1909 and had been prominently associated with the whole history of the bank, having been one of the original incompositors in 1869. The death of the bank, having been one of the ori-ginal incorporators in 1869. The death of Mr. Leavens occurred Sent. 25, 1921, but so far the election of his successor as president has been deferred.

GENERAL BUSINESS REACTION

AFFECTS NEW LONDON BANKS The business reaction as a result of The business reaction as a result of the war has, we hope, shown its fullest effect in the year just claning. There has been a gradual reduction of deposits in all the New London cakins and with a prospect of a still further reduction between now and next summer by which time it is hoped the title will have turned. Some of the local industries have begun to operate once more but with a gun to operate once more but with a smaller force and on short hours. The greatest industrial plant in New London. The New London Ship & Engine company, is now practically at a standstill.

When busines comes back to this plant, prosperity will arrive in New London.

The greatest sctivity, bankwise, during the year has been in the competition for savings funds. The National Bank of commerce which opened its handsome new building in August jumped into the savings field and has advertised extens-ively for deposits. The National City bank also makes a strong hid for savings deposits. These two banks and the Savings Banks of New London pay reg-

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